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IN THE MATTER OF an application under Section 13(1) by Elmont E Hollingsworth in respect of Patent application No GB9807365.3 in the name of Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company

DECISION

The application for this patent named one inventor, Kazuhiro Yagi.

Elmont E Hollingsworth has now applied to be mentioned as joint inventor in accordance with Section 13(1) of the Act.

Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company and Kazuhiro Yagi have each confirmed in writing that they support Elmont E Hollingsworth's request to be named as joint inventor. I therefore conclude that all relevant parties agree that Elmont E Hollingsworth was a joint inventor.

Accordingly, I direct that Elmont E Hollingsworth should be mentioned as joint inventor in any patent granted for the invention. I also direct, in accordance with Rule 14(5), that an addendum slip mentioning him as joint inventor be prepared for the published application of the patent.

Signed this 27th day of January 1999

STEPHEN ROWAN B3 Head of Litigation Section, acting for the Comptroller THE PATENT OFFICE